

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



**FISCAL NOTE**

**SB 1553 - HB 1656**

March 26, 2009

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Deletes the prohibition of a hospital or an affiliate of a hospital from employing radiologists, anesthesiologists, pathologists, or emergency physicians or physicians employed to provide medical services that are provided by radiologists, anesthesiologists, pathologists, or emergency physicians.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant**

Assumptions:

- Neither the Board of Medical Examiners nor the Department of Health will incur a significant increase in expenditures to regulate the provisions of the bill.
- Any necessary rule and regulation changes will be accomplished during a regularly scheduled meeting of the Board.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-3-1011, all health-related boards are required to be self-supporting over a two-year period. As of June 30, 2008, the Board had a positive balance of \$108,302.81.

**CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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